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Deputy Clerk - Utility Billing

#### **City Office Hours**

Monday - Friday  
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

24 Hour Drop Box

EMERGENCIES - 911

Police & Fire Dispatch  
Center - 402.441.6500

#### **City of Hickman**

115 Locust Street  
P.O. Box 127  
Hickman, NE 68372  
402.792.2212

[www.hickman.ne.gov](http://www.hickman.ne.gov)

#### **City Council Members**

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# City Newsletter: September 2013

## Hickman's Growth

In 2010, the US Census data reported that Hickman was the fifth fastest growing City in Nebraska (Anderson & Story; Lincoln Journal Star). This high rate of growth has continued and we thought you might be interested in Hickman's historical new construction housing data:

1976 to 1985 (10 years) = 49 New Construction House Permits Issued

1986 to 1995 (10 years) = 44 Single Family House Permits Issued

1996 to 2005 (5 years) = 102 Single Family House Permits Issued

2006 to 2010 (5 years) = 114 Single Family House Permits Issued

2011 to Current (2.5 years) = 69 Single Family House Permits Issued  
(34 Single Family House Permits Issued so far in 2013)

Hickman Area Economic Development Association welcomes this growth and hopes you will support our local businesses. Without the assistance of our local businesses, events like the 4th of July Fireworks Show, Trick-or-Treat-on-the-Trail and Hickman Night at Haymarket Park would not be possible.

An updated area Business and Services Directory can be located on the City of Hickman's website at [www.hickman.ne.gov](http://www.hickman.ne.gov) under the "Business Directory" Tab.

Thank You for Helping Hickman be a Great Place to Live!

## New Hickman Business Idea?

### Curious about Available Commercial Lots in Hickman?

Contact Silas Clarke, Hickman Area Economic Development Association Director at 402-792-2212

## WIN A KINDLE FIRE E-READER

and help buy new picture storybooks for  
the Hickman Area Reading Centre!

Raffle tickets are \$1 a piece or six for \$5.

Call 402.792.2003 or stop by the Reading  
Centre located at 103 Locust, Hickman  
Tuesdays and Thursdays 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. or  
Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



## The Circus is coming to Hickman on Labor Day

Thanks to the sponsorship of the Hickman Area Community Foundation, Culpepper and Merriweather Circus, America's Favorite Big Top Circus is coming to Hickman on Monday, September 2nd at 1003 Park Drive, with 3 scheduled shows at 2:00, 4:30 and 7:00 p.m.

Bring your friends and family out in the morning to watch as our town is transformed into a bustling Circus City. Between 9:30 and 10:00 a.m., watch the raising of the Big Top, then stay for the FREE Tour. Meet the crew and learn all about the Circus family with a walking tour of the circus grounds. Learn facts about our performers, the history of our show and the different species of animals in our Circus Family.

Save money by purchasing your tickets in advance, \$10.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children at the Voice News office or from any Hickman Area Community Foundation Board Member. On show day tickets will be \$13.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children. Buy your tickets early and for more information or to purchase discounted tickets with a credit card call 402.792.2255 or visit: [www.voicenewsnebraska.com](http://www.voicenewsnebraska.com)



## Soccer Information is found on the City's Website

2013 Fall Soccer schedules are available on the City of Hickman's website: [www.hickman.ne.gov](http://www.hickman.ne.gov)  
The information can be located under the City Parks & Recreation tab.

Notices for cancellations will be announced after 3:00 pm on the day of the game at the city's website and Facebook page.



## Friendly Reminder to Lock Your Vehicles

The Lancaster County Sheriff's Office wants to remind you to lock your vehicles to deter criminals! Several unlocked and unattended vehicles had items stolen from them in the month of July. If you see any suspicious activity in your neighborhood, please report it immediately to the Lancaster County Non-Emergency Sheriff's Office at 402.441.6500.



## Funny Filler

Why did the cookie cry?

Because his mother was  
a wafer so long!



Why shouldn't you write with a  
broken pencil?

Because is it pointless!

## 3rd Annual Hickman CROP Hunger Walk

The 3rd Annual Hickman/Southern Lancaster County CROP Hunger Walk will be held on October 13, 2013 at Hickman Presbyterian Church. Registration begins at 1:30 pm and the walk to commence at 2:00 pm.

Looking to make a difference in these trying times, the Hickman CROP Hunger Walk has set a goal of 100 Walkers and hopes to raise \$4,000 to help stop hunger and poverty here in our community and around the world, through self-help initiatives. A portion of the funds raised here in Hickman will go to local food pantries.

For more information about the Hickman CROP Hunger Walk, contact Rhonda Weatherby at (402) 792-3238.